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DEPT FOR AMBASSADOR SHELDON VANCE, SENIOR ADVISOR, MARCOTICS
MATTERS ANKARA FOR DEA

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN SEIZURE OF ALLEGED TURKISH OPIUM: UD-76-0010,
DERVIS DELIBALTA

REF (A) STATE 221539 (B) DEA 22465 (C) ANKARA 6028

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1. EGYPTIAN ANTI-NARCOTICS ADMINISTRATION CONFIRMED TO NCO
AUGUST 20 THAT OPIUM SEIZURE DISCUSSED IN ANDERSON COLUMN
(REF A) IS ACTUALLY DELIBALTA CASE. ACCORDING TO ANA, AMOUNT
SEIZED BY EGYPTIANS WAS 198 KILOS (VICE 270 POUNDS). EGYPTIANS
MAINTAIN ORIGIN OF DRUG IS TURKEY BUT PRESENTLY HAVE NO DETAILS
BEYOND THOSE ELICITED BY GARIBOTTO DURING HIS INTERROGATION
IN CAIRO OF TURKISH SMUGGLER ARRESTED IN THE CASE.

2. NCO AGAIN STRESSED TO DG ANA IMPORTANCE OF IMMEDIATE
LIAISON WITH INTERPOL AND TURKISH POLICE AND SOUGHT TO IMPRESS
UPON HIM POSSIBLE EMBARRASSMENT TO EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES
IF THEY PUBLICLY POSITIONED AS WEAK LINK IN CASE. ANA
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SAYS IT WILL BE IN IMMEDIATE TOUCH WITH INTERPOL, BUT

DIRGEN AND HIS COLLEAGUES BELIEVE TNP SHOULD HAVE ACTED ON
BASIS OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH DEA HERE (GARIBOTTO
VISIT) AND ARE CLEARLY MIFFED AT TURKISH ATTITUDE.
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